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Operations of Domestic Airlines
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of domestic airlines operating in the country, their market share, the time since when they have been operating along with the number of employees engaged by each domestic airline;

(b) whether any of these airlines has discontinued operations and if so, the details thereof along with the number of employees rendered jobless by each of these airlines;

(c) the details of mandatory requirement for domestic airlines for starting international services;

(d) whether the Government proposes to relax the said norms and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has any proposal to give incentives to domestic airlines for operating to and from certain regional and remote areas and if so, the details thereof along with the remote areas proposed to be connected by air routes?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) & (b): The details of domestic airlines operating in the country, their market share, Revenue passenger per kilometer performed, Date of issue of Air Operator Permit (AOP), along with Staff strength, is annexed at Annexure-1.;

(c): Any Indian air transport undertaking shall be eligible to apply for operation of international scheduled air transport services, if it-;

(i) has a valid Air Operator"s Certificate for operation of scheduled air transport services; and

(ii) deploys 20 aircraft or 20% of total capacity (in term of average number of seats on all departures put together), whichever is higher, for domestic operations. For this purpose, the published schedule of airlines will be the basis for monitoring, assuming that one aircraft would have six departures per day.;

(d): No Madam.;

(e): No Madam, Government does not have any proposal to give incentives to domestic airlines for operating to and from certain regional and remote areas. However, Ministry of Civil Aviation has launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS-UDAN) to connect un-served and under- served airports by making it affordable for masses by giving concession to the selected airline operator under the scheme by financial support in the form of Viability Gap Funding (VGF) to meet the gap between the cost of airline operations and expected revenue on such routes.